

Scheduled JLARC Projects – 2002

Workforce Training – Proposed by the Topic Selection Subcommittee and approved by JLARC in November 2000. This review would focus on whether the Commonwealth is diluting its workforce training efforts by the dispersion of services among different providers. The study would analyze the feasibility of streamlining or consolidating services. Team Leader: Wayne Turnage.

State Information Technology Systems Development – Proposed by the Topic Selection Committee and approved by JLARC in November 2000. In recent years numerous State systems development projects have encountered problems, ranging from delays and cost over-runs to the abandonment of multi-million dollar projects. This study would review the procurement and development of automated systems by the State. Team Leader: Hal Greer.

State Spending, Part II – Mandated by HJR 773 and HB 2865 of the 2001 Session of the General Assembly. This review will build on the interim analysis prepared during 2001. The focus of the 2002 review will be more in-depth reviews of agencies and programs with an emphasis on possible cuts and consolidations. Team Leader: Walt Smiley.

Medicaid/DMAS Continuation – Mandated by SJR 441 of the 2001 Session. This resolution directs JLARC to study the development, management, utilization, and funding of health and mental health services in the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS). Team Leader: Cynthia Jones.

Implementation of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act – HJR 622 from the 2001 General Assembly directs JLARC to develop a report on the implementation of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act (CPBA) by examining issues such as local compliance, the use of enforcement authority, and the provision of assistance to affected localities as part of the Act. The study will also consider an assessment by the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department of the implications of expanding the Act beyond the Tidewater area. Team Leader: Eric Messick

Gubernatorial Separation Authority – Proposed by the Topic Selection Subcommittee and approved by JLARC, a staff report was presented in June 2001. In December 2001, the Commission requested a follow-up.

Ongoing Staff Work – Staff will continue mandated reviews of the Virginia Retirement System, oversight of internal service funds, debt management analysis, and performance measure development.

Proposed Studies -- Several studies have been requested, including a review of the birth-related neurological injuries compensation program.